

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the paragraph on page 1, before "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION" that was inserted by the Preliminary Amendment submitted July 2, 1999:

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This is a continuation of Application Serial No. 08/890,576 entitled "~~Automatic Bar Code Symbol Reading System And Method Of Reading Bar Code Symbols Using Same~~", filed on July 9, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,015,091, which is a Continuation of Application Serial No 08/292, 237 entitled "~~Portable Code Symbol Reading Device With One Way Wireless Data Packet Transmission Link To Base Unit Employing CondictionDependent Acoustical Signalling For Data Packet Reception Aeknowledgement~~" (AS AMENDED) filed August 17, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,808,285; Application Serial No. 08/292,237 being a continuation-in-part of Application Serial No. 07/898,919 filed on Jun. 12, 1992, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,340,973, a continuation-in-part of Application Serial No. 07/821,917 filed Jan. 16, 1992, now abandoned, and a continuation-in-part of Application Serial No. 07/761,123, filed Sep. 17, 1991 now U.S. Patent No. 5,340,971; Application Serial No. 07/761,123 being a continuation-in-part of Application Serial No. 07/583,421, filed Sep. 17, 1990, now U.S. Patent No. 5,260,553.